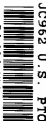


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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.

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3. ☒ Specification

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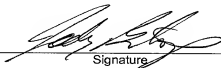
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